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Dear Sirs and Ms.:

I am writing to endorse the election of CLARA BARTON.

Clara Barton was an outstanding American. At a time when women lived at home with male protection, she volunteered her services for the aid of the wounded in the Civil War.

She was absolutely humanitarian in this grueling and gruesome task-- she cared for Southern and Northern soldiers alike.

She was commended by the U.S. government for this.

Though her health suffered because of her strenuous work during the war, she came home from Switzerland to try and start an American Red Cross. She was rebuffed by Congress and the President, but she kept working for her dream regardless of the strong opposition.

Finally Congress and the President acceded to her request and the American Red Cross came into being. The house in Glen Echo, Md. has been designated a National Monument - it was from here that the Red Cross was administered. Yet Clara Barton herself went on many of trips to disaster areas--such as the Johnstown flood.

In every Red Cross office today - signifying the great humanitarian efforts of this woman - is a picture of Clara Barton. No other organization has always had entry into any country - any disaster - any need -such as the Red Cross. The Red Cross was also a pioneer in the use of volunteer help-- so that literally thousands of people today all over the country are giving of their time for the work of this organization.

This attitude, which has carried over for almost 75 years is attributable to Clara Barton.

Sincerely yours,

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